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SUBJECT: EXPO USA 71 UNPAID ACCOUNTS

REF: BRASILIA 4333, STATE 148224

1. EMBOFF CONVEYED INFORMATION, IN FORM OF AIDE MEMOIRE, CONTAINED STATE REFTTEL (INCLUDING LIST OF CONSUMED MATERIALS FOR WHICH WAIVER IS SOUGHT) TO CHIEF OF AMERICA DIVISION, MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS. AIDE MEMOIRE INCLUDED REQUEST THAT DOCUMENTS BE FORWARDED TO MINISTER OF FINANCE.

2. IN FOLLOW UP DISCUSSIONS WITH MINISTRY OF FINANCE, OFFICE OF TAX COORDINATION (RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS PARTICULAR PROBLEM), OFFICIALS REAFFIRMED THAT APPROVAL HAS TO COME DIRECTLY FROM THE MINISTER. THEY INDICATED THAT THOUGH US HAS SUPPLIED SUFFICIENT DATA FOR DECISION TO BE MADE, THEY WOULD PREFER THAT OFFICIAL REQUEST NOT COME THROUGH OFFICE OF TAX COORDINATION. THEY HAVE NO OBJECTION IN PRINCIPLE TO GRANTING EXEMPTION. UNFORTUNATELY THERE IS NO BRAZILIAN LAW THAT PERMITS THE GRANTING OF SUCH AN EXEMPTION ACCORDINGLY OFFICE OF TAX COORDINATION FEELS THAT, IF CONSULTED, IT WOULD HAVE TO RECOMMEND THAT REQUEST BE DENIED ON LEGAL GROUNDS. IN RESPONSE TO QUESTIONING AS TO CHANNEL USED BY FRENCH REQUEST, WHICH WAS APPROVED, EMBOFF WAS ADVISED THAT FRENCH REQUEST WAS APPROVED BY THE MINISTER WITHOUT REFERENCE TO OFFICE OF TAX COORDINATION.

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3. IN ORDER TO INSURE THAT US REQUEST BE TRANSMITTED BY FOREIGN OFFICE DIRECTLY TO MINISTER OF FINANCE, EMBOFF VISITED SECRETARIAT OF FOREIGN MINISTRY, OFFICE RESPONSIBLE FOR PHYSICALLY TRANSMITTING REQUEST, AND EXPLAINED THAT US WOULD LIKE DOCUMENTS FORWARDED DIRECTLY TO FINANCE MINISTER. FONOFF OFFICIAL STATED THAT HE WOULD ATTEMPT TO FORWARD REQUEST AS CLOSE TO MINISTER AS POSSIBLE, BUT THERE ARE ESTABLISHED PROCEDURES FOR TRANSMITTING SUCH REQUESTS BETWEEN MINISTRIES. AFTER FURTHER DISCUSSION, FONOFF OFFICIAL AGREED THAT BEFORE TRANSMITTING REQUEST, HE WOULD CALL FINANCE MINISTER'S STAFF AND INQUIRE AS TO BEST CHANNEL FOR TRANSMITTING US REQUEST. (COMMENT: WE BELIEVE THIS WILL BRING SATISFACTORY RESULT.)

4. EMBASSY AND CONSULATE GENERAL RIO WILL FOLLOW UP BY MAINTAINING CONTACT WITH MINISTER OF FINANCE STAFF AND WE WILL REPORT ANY DEVELOPMENTS.
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